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THE FIRE AND THE WALL STREET EXCITE-MENT. - As usual in such extraordinary cases, the first reports of the losses at Boston prove to have been greatly exaggerated. The total losses will not exceed one hundred millions, and may fall as low as seventy-five millions. Of this sum the insurance companies of New York city and State will have to pay nearly fifteen millions and the English insurance companies about as much more. The rest falls upon the Boston and Eastern companies and some few Philadelphia and Western companies. Wall street and Broadway will stand their share with only a few bankruptcies and avert the impending panic.

THE ORIGIN OF OF THE FIRE. -As from small acorns great oaks do grow, so it is that from most trifling causes widespread calamities are oftentimes derived. One account of the Boston fire traces its origin to an overheated furnace in the basement of a building on the corner of Kingston and Summer streets. This of itself might have been insufficient to produce a conflagration, but as there happened to be an elevator way above the furnace the draught therefrom fanned the heat into a blaze, which very soon communicated to the floors above, and the rest is sad and fearful

The Great Fire in Boston-Causes the Inscentity of Great Cities.

The disastrous fire in Boston, like the great conflagration in Chicago more than a year ago, will provoke much criticism upon the ordinary methods of constructing large buildings in our great cities and the general and absolute insecurity against similar calamities. New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore are in as great danger to-day as were these burned cities previous to their destruction. If a fire were to occur in one of the immense warehouses in the district bounded by Broadway and Chatham street, where the thoroughfares are narrow and sinuous and the buildings combustible, nothing could prevent its sweeping all that part of the city known as "down town." Even Broadway itself, intersected as it is by narrow streets and offering constant temptations to the flames, might be destroyed block by block. This should not be the case in any great city, the danger to life and property being too great to be disregarded in view of the awful warnings of these two great dis-

It is easy enough to teach the lessons of these conflagrations, but the lessons are apt to be forgotten with the disappearance of the alliterations of "burned Boston" and "charred Chicago." When the sensation is over the duties imposed by the calamity are disregarded. If Boston had learned from Chicago New York might not now be required to learn from Boston. For those places a like calamity may never come again, for neither is likely to repeat the error which gave it to the flames, though we are told Chicago is once more to be a hastily constructed town, full of danger. There is no real security against a repetition of the blunders of the past. Fireproof buildings which are not fireproof except in name may be built in either place, as they have been built year after year in New York. Besides, a fireproof building has no chance to withstand the flame and heat of a burning city, when it is surrounded on every hand by combustible structures. The most secure edifices both in Boston and Chicago crumbled and fell because there was fuel for combustion everywhere round them. It follows from this that every building in a large city should be fireproof, and that no others should be allowed to stand. The safety of the whole people is to be preferred to the selfishness of a part. A great calamity is not to be risked because individuals will not voluntarily guard against it. The law should provide for the removal of all structures which do not afford the most absolute security, and the law should be strictly and thoroughly enforced.

If it were not for the danger of being charged with mocking at the calamities of others, we should say this Boston fire was a good thing. Sooner or later a calamity like this was certain to come, just as it came last Saturday night. The streets in the burned district were so narrow and so irregular and the buildings offered such constant temptation to the fire fiend as to make the catastrophe a possible and very probable accident. Now new city will rise on the site of "old Boston." The narrow and winding streets have disappeared with the structures which made them unsightly. Wider and better thoroughfares will take their places. Firmer and more substantial buildings will replace the burned structures. It is fair to assume that Boston will not allow combustible warehouses to be built side by side with fireproof edifices. The lives that were lost will become a sacrifice to greater security in the future, and the capital which turned to ashes in an hour will spring up again in renewed activity and beauty. The poets and antiquarians who used to brood over the historic ground and regard the unsafe buildings as monuments to be reverenced will miss their customary occupation; but Boston can go without her poets and antiquarians in the newness of beauty and

The first consideration in great cities is fireproof buildings; but, surrounded by combustible structures, they are comparatively valueless. It is for this reason that we urge the necessity of making all buildings fireproof, even to the extent of tearing down structures which are, in fact, unsafe, but regarded by their owners as perfectly secure against the flames. The next thing to be done is to replace narrow streets by broad avenues It is to-day almost impossible to burn Paris, for the reason that its magnificent boulevards are a strong barrier against the spread of fire. We may credit, without exaggeration, the safety of the French capital during the siege and while the Commune held the city to Haussmann-the expensive "Board of Public Works," in the imperial reign of Napoleon III. Had Paris been a city like some parts of London, or like old New York or old Boston, nothing could have saved it from the spark of the enemy or the torch of the incendiary. Its wide streets and substantial buildings were a better protection against destruction by fire than the weapons or the courage of its defenders. So it must be with every city well and wisely built. If Boston had long ago exchanged its crooked cowpaths for wide and straight avenues a fire at the corner of Kingston and Summer streets would not have swept everything before it from Washington street to the water and almost as far as Faneuil Hall. Failing to take this necessary precaution, Boston now suffers as many other cities suffered before this latest lesson was added to the long list of the calamities of the

There is one point in this Boston fire which must not be overlooked. It was a Mansard roof which lifted up and scattered the flames broadcast over the city. Any one who will take the trouble to look up at some of the buildings now under construction in this city will readily understand the dangers which lurk under these frail, insufficient and combustible roofs. In Broadway, between Union square and Twenty-third street, and in the latter street are buildings recently covered which some day or other may do for New York what a similar structure has just done for Boston. One of the correspondents of the HERALD, in describing the origin of the fire and the rapid spread of the flames, refers to this building as surmounted by a high Mansard. overtopping all the houses in the vicinity, Upon this elevated fire-box the flames roared and erackled and were at once carried by the high wind from roof to roof, block to block, corner to corner. An hour before it looked grand enough and secure enough, but the fire gave the lie to all its pretensions of grandeur

and security. It was licked up more readily element as water.

by the flame than a rick of hay in the open field ignited by the descending bolt. There is nothing surprising in this, for most of these roofs are only immense tinder boxes for setting whole cities aflame. They make no pretensions toward being fireproof, for they are built of wood, and are readily ignited either from within or without. This is a wrong so apparent as to be criminal. Like the new building on the former site of the HEBALD establishment, now in course of construction, all large buildings should be as secure at top as at bottom, and the roof should rest only upon iron. If this had been the case with "the high Mansard, overtopping all the houses in the vicinity," seventy acres of Boston would not be in ashes nor a hundred millions of capital reduced to dust.

We may preach as we please of the precautions against fire in our large cities, but we shall preach without effect while narrow, sinuous streets and dangerous buildings only serve as the conductors of flame. No fire department, however efficient, no supply of water, however abundant and accessible, not even the admirable method finally adopted in Boston, of undermining a barrier against the flames, is a sufficient protection. What we want is security against fire by making fire impossible. To do this many of our cities so laboriously constructed must in great part be reconstructed. The tumble-down and combustible buildings must disappear with the narrow, crooked streets. It is a desperate remedy, we know, and one not to be rashly or carelessly undertaken, for it is like cutting a cancer out of the living, healthful flesh. In either case, if the remedy is applied with wisdom and skill, the result is beneficial. The sick man grows well and strong after the painful operation; the imperilled city becomes secure and rich. If we had broad, wide streets in the slums which centre at the Five Points vice would retreat before the appreciation of property. Even the busy haunts about Nassau and Wall streets would become more valuable if there was greater security against fire-security to be attained only by fireproof buildings and broad thoroughfares. Thus it is plain that the interest as well as the security of New York is in obliterating old landmarks and building a new city on the site of the old. We failed to take the Chicago lesson to heart, and now comes the same lesson from Boston's misfortune. It may be our turn to suffer, as we suffered in the great fire of 1835, and as Chicago and Boston are suffering now, unless we act upon the warnings we have received.

The Funeral of General Meade.

The remains of General George G. Meade were interred yesterday at Laurel Hill Ceme tery, Philadelphia, as will be seen by our report in another part of the paper, with all the honors becoming the distinguished soldier and hero. General McDowell, commanding the Department of the East, had charge of the arrangements and carried them out in a fitting manner. President Grant and Generals Sherman and Sheridan, besides a number of other heroes of the war, both military and naval, and a host of eminent citizens, attended the funeral. We need not go over the details of this last and sad ceremony, as they are told in our columns this morning. It is proper to say on this occasion, however, that the grief over the remains of General Meade, both of the public and those who knew him personally and of his companions in arms, was profound. Not only is General Meade's name embalmed in the memory of his countrymen for his long and important services, and particularly for that crowning act of his military career, the battle of Gettysburg, when at the most critical period of the war he turned the doubtful balance in favor of the Union, but also for his noble and pure character. He was the model of a gentleman, and one of the best and highest types of our American civilization and institutions. In manner he was simple as a child, yet so noble, dignified and lofty in principle that he would have done honor to any country in the world, whatever its form of government or however elevated its social system. He had such a delicate sense of duty and propriety as a high officer of the army that he was careful not to obtrude his political views, though no citizen could be more patriotic, and few, perhaps, knew what were his political opinions. No prominent man, probably, had fewer enemies or was more generally esteemed. The nation has lost one of its most renowned servants and best citizens when scarcely beyond the prime of his life, and may well mourn over the sad bereavement.

Precautions Against Fire in New York.

Public attention is just now thoroughly aroused to the necessity of adopting additional precautions against the danger of an extensive conflagration. We have been startled from our fancied security by the fate that has befallen Boston, which was supposed to be better guarded than even we claim to be. Now that the reliance of Boston on its admirably organized Fire Department has proved calamitous, we begin to be alarmed lest we also have been resting our hopes on an equally rotten foundation. The suggestion which we advanced yesterday, that the Fire Department should be authorized, in cases of pressing urgency, to blow down buildings where it might be considered necessary to check the progress of a fire, has been taken up by the meeting of citizens held at the Chamber of Commerce. In view of the experience gained at Boston the desirableness of attaching a section of engineers to the Fire Department cannot be questioned, and we hope this reform will be at once carried into effect. But this precaution can only be adopted in view of extreme cases, such as a fire making headway in spite of the efforts of a well-organized fire service. Now we hold that, while it is well to be prepared for the worst, we can avoid the necessity of having recourse to heroic measures by utilizing all the means at our disposal for subduing fires before they can make such headway as to endanger the safety of the city or any large portion of it. Our position, surrounded by water, gives us such facilities for fighting the flames that we need have no fear of the result if only we will use the advantages which nature affords us. By the aid of force pumps, with a thorough system of pipes laid through the city in all directions, we could secure an inexhaustible supply of water, which would place us in a position to struggle with effect against the spread of fire and place us beyond danger from a failure in the supply of so essential an

The Merchants' Meeting for the Relief A large meeting of our prominent commer-

cial men was held yesterday at the Chamber of Commerce in relation to the Boston catastrophe. The heartiest sympathy and most effective assistance were proffered by the merchants of the metropolis to their Massachusetts neighbors who are sufferers by this appalling and unanticipated blow. It was decided to appoint a committee to consider what measures can be devised for the relief of the distress resulting from the enormous destruction of property, of books and papers, and the interruption of trade. This committee will probably report their plan at the adjourned meeting to be held to-day. The sentiment exhibited by this assemblage of the substantial men who give tone to the commerce of New York was of that noble and generous sort which only was to be expected. All were anxious to do promptly, yet with the utmost delicacy and prudence, all that is possible for one great body of wealthy and enterprising merchants to do to soften a blow which has crippled a neighboring community of like kind and help to repair its damage. New York stood beside Boston last year in helping Chicago. To-day she will not be wanting in efficient assistance to Boston in reconstructing her trade. And while they thus show a generous sympathy with a stricken neighbor our merchants look wisely to their own combustible warehouses, and repeat inquiries so often suggested by the Hebald as to the feasibility of building our own city more safely and furnishing it better appliances for controlling fires. If the fearful lessons from Boston and Chicago find New York prudent and teachable she will "out of this nettle danger pluck the. flower safety" by adopting means by which she may avoid a similar calamity.

The French Parliament Reassembled in Session.

The members of the French Legislative Assembly reassembled in session, after the recess prorogation, at Versailles yesterday. The representative attendance was unusually numerous, there being scarcely a vacant seat in the Chambers hall at the moment of the official opening of the sitting. The leaders of the more powerful and distinct political parties of the hour were present. Citizens the Duke d'Aumale and Prince de Joinville were in their places, as was M. Rouher, with his Bonapartist affiliations, and M. Gambetta, with his notions of democratic progress onward toward the perfection of the radical red idea of the republican system of government. His Excellency President Thiers appeared almost immediately subsequent to the formal pronouncement of the sessional power. The resence of the Chief of State was hailed on all sides with cheers. The regular organization of the Assembly for the transaction of business will, it is hoped, be completed to-day. The Duke de Broglie and M. Marc Girardin are spoken of as likely to be offered, one of them by the party of the Right for the position of President of the Assembly in place of M. Grèvy. There is political caucus and, apparently, a very active canvass for the attainment of party power, so that the proceedings are likely to become quite animated within a few days. The sentiment generally prevailing among the members, republicans and monarchists alike, appears to be healthily national for the sustainment of the democratic form of rule, and strongly opposed to any experimental tamperings with the constitutional principle which was vindicated by the French nation against imperialism, and which has been cherished and nurtured by the French people to its present power of recuperative vitality under very dangerous and most disheartening circum-

THE CONTEMPLATED CABINET CHANGES.

Making Up the Slate for the Next Term-Harlan's Anxiety and the Colored Candidate's Confusion. WASHINGTON, NOV. 11, 1872.

The Boston fire has but momentarily inter-

rupted the anxious discussion here of the changes through every grade of official position that are to mark the opening of the second term of the President. In the inferior places there will be but little movement, but as the grades ascend to Chief of Bureau the prospects are brighter for the aspirants for place. With respect to the Cabinet the President will be subjected to no other embarrassment than that of satisfactorily disposing of the retiring members without displacing other officials who expect to retain their positions. The certainty, as it is admitted to be in the best-informed circles, that all the present Cabinet, except Secretary Delano and Attorney General Williams, will be counted out with the present term, makes the task of placing such as require suitable offices outside the Cabinet a matter of difficulty. Secretary Fish is said by his friends to desire nothing beyond the retention of the cordial friendship subsisting between himself and the President. and the kind treatment of the personal and political friends on whom he has bestowed offices suited to their capacities. Secretary Robeson, who desires to go abroad, covets a vacant foreign mission, but will permit none to be vacated expressly to make a place for him; and Postmaster General Creswell is said to be willing to take anything that an ex-Senator and Cabinet Minister can take with propriety. There is absolutely no reliable data concerning the successorship to the Cabinet offices soon to be vacated by the present incumbents, the President evading all attempts to smoke him out and manifesting no disposition to take anybody into his confidence except those immediately concerned, it being doubted, even by near friends, if he has exchanged word with anybody as yet on the subject Senator Harlan is known to be anxious for a sent at the council board, and if he cannot get the State Department, will be content to relieve his fellow Iowan at the War Department. But the most careful inquiry fails to indicate anything in favor of his prospects, and it is known that he is personally disfavored, and must count on his assumed politi cal strength and party services in the last session and during the campaign for support to his pretensions. But to get the War Department he must be acceptable to General Sherman, as the President with so many to choose from, will unquestionably be careful to put nobody over the General-in-Chief who cannot establish and maintain the same per sonal relations that exist now, and must continue to exist, between the heads of the War Department and the army. The colored aspirant for Cabinet honors has met the fate that has befallen the long line of white predecessors whose "claims" and chances were prematurely advertised by themselves or partisans, his name being only mentioned with derision and his self-asserted rights repelled by the President's friends and the local

THE MEXICAN TARIFF.

been fully restored

MATAMOROS, Nov. 11, 1872. By order of the supreme government the tariff of 1856 for the importation of merchandise to the interior remains in force until the 31st of December, 1872, and the privileges of the Free Zone have

GERMANY.

Premier Bismarck's Plan for a Reorganization of the Prussian House of Peers.

TELECRAM TO THE NEW YORK HERALD.

BERLIN, Nov. 11, 1872. His Excellency the Premier, Prince Bismarck has forwarded a memorial to His Majesty Emperor William, advocating the immediate reorganization of the Upper House of the Prussian Diet, and it is stated semi-omcially that the suggestion will prob ably be adopted.

MANHATTAN MARKET.

The Great Market Thrown Open to th Public Last Evening-An Immense Building and an Immense Crowd-

The great Manhattan Market building, the progress of whose construction has been noted from time to time in the HERALD, was formally thrown open to the public last evening. The opening took the form of a promenade concert, the Ninth regifurnishing the music. The building is certainly a magnificent one in

size and mode of construction. It is situated on the North River, between Thirty-fourth and Thirtyfrom Twelfth, avenue. It is right on the water front, with a depth of water surrounding it suff. headlights during the day, and at night by a vast number of gasaliers, beneath reflectors, in the roof of the central arch. The floor is of Dr. Hayes' patent compound of concrete, asphalt and Portland cement, sloping gradually towards the river side. The building cost a million and a half of dollars, exclusive of the cost of the stalls, which the butchers will erect themselves, according to pattern furnished. Overhead, at either end and both sides, are offices, one for the accommodation of the Market Company and one suit each for a bank, an insurance company and a restaurant. The floor will be covered by 800 stalls, to be let uniformly, but according to position, at from \$3 to \$7 a week, with a lease of five years and the preference for five more. About one-half the number of stalls are rented out already, and business is expected to commence in two or three weeks. It is expected that the means of reaching this great market from all parts of the city and suburbs will soon be fully provided, and already the Twenty-third and Bleecker Street lines have made arrangements to extend their tracks to Eleventh avenue and Thirty-fourth street. The plaza for farmers' wagons will accommodate from 400 to 500 vehicles. With numerous doors, with gangways 10 feet in width, leading across the building from side to side; a main gangway, 800 feet long and 20 feet wide, from avenue to avenue, and a central gangway, 25 feet wide, from Thirty-fourth to Thirty-forth to divides the wholesale from the retail department. The high central arch, 93 feet from the noor, and numerous windows, afford both ample light and ventilation. The supply of water is abundant and conveniently arranged, and the drainage is perfect; in addition to which is abundant and conveniently arranged, and the dramage is perfect; in addition to which the slope in the foot, from Eleventh avenue to Twelfth avenue, affords unusual facilities for washing and cleaning the market. The pier of 550 feet in length and 60 in width, which will be exclusively for market purposes, will be the finest in the city, and, together with the water front of 200 feet on the bulkhead, will afford abundant actities for the receipt and shipment of market produce.

The following are the names of the directors and officers of the company, who, it will be seen, are all business men:—

usiness men:— Paul J. Armour (President), of the firm of Paul J. k Alex. Armour. William M. Johnson (Treasurer), of Bradish, John-

& Alex. Armour.

William M. Johnson (Treasurer), of Bradish, Johnson & Sons.

William D. Bowerman, of Bowerman Brothers,
J. F. Navarro, Vice President of the Commercial
Warchouse Company.
Courtlandt Paimer, 346 and 348 Broadway.
Courtlandt Paimer, Jr.
J. E. Flandin, Secretary.
The crowd of persons who attended the opening
yesterday evening was simply enormous. The
President told our reporter that over thirty thousand tickets had been taken at the door, and the
latter certainly saw at least one-third of that number together in the building at one time. The
tickets were sold at twenty-five cents, and the
gathering was rather a motley one, representing,
as it did, every class and condition in city life, from
the poor laborer to the wealthy merchant. About
half-past eleven o'clock the crowd finally retired
after hearing the following programme exquisitely
rendered by Mr. Downing's band:—

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PART I.
. Overture, "Poet and Peasant"Supp
Quartetto, "Rigoletto"Ver
Waltz "Blue Danube"Strau
Galop, "Hit and Miss"
March, "Tannhauser" Wagn. Grand Selection, "Martha" Floto
. Grand Selection, "Martha"
PART II.
Overture, "William Tell"
Song, "I Think of Thee"
"Les Favorite"
March "Come Back to Frin" Downin
March, "Come Back to Erin"
The utmost good order prevailed throughout, ov
ng a great deal to the presence of Captain Mcl
raine. Sergeant Combs and twenty men of th
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FIRE IN EAST TWENTY-EIGHTH STREET.

Serious Alarm and Losses. The people of the Twenty-first ward were terri-

fled beyond measure about eight o'clock last evening by a quick-sounded alarm from the Twentysixth street tower, followed immediately by a second alarm, which told of danger and of the necessity of the best efforts of the Fire Department. The fire was in the sewing machine cabinet factory of Thomas Vandyke, a large structure, nominally Nos. 473 and 475 First avenue, but in reality occupying three lots on the avenue and three lots on East Twenty-eighth street. As the firemen got up steam and ran out hose the situation seemed a desperate one. The doomed building was filled with the most combustible materials, which, when partly calcined, were carried out of the already gaping roof and windows in sheets of frebrands. Around were slimly built tenements, wooden structures of more or less importance, and a score of huge factories, while within a stone's throw was Believue Hospital, filled with the sick, the maimed and the dying. fire was in the sewing machine cabinet factory

pital, filled with the sick, the maimed and the dying.

Was about east by south, but gusty and treacherous, and liable to shift at any moment, and a simoon of sparks was only needed, with the wind west or northwest, to convert the institution into a heap of ashes. Prompted by the emergency, the firemen behaved admirably, and in spite of the difficult nature of the task fought the flames inch by inch till half-past nine o'clock, when the fire lulled suddenly, and the disaster was quelled, with the total loss of the building where it originated and an adjoining building constructed of corrugated iron, also used by Mr. Vandyke, loss on stock, \$15,000; loss on machinery, \$3,000; insured in the North British, Etna, of Hartford, Star, of New York, and Lycoming, of Pennsylvania, companies. The buildings, owned by the Manhattan Brass and Manufacturing Company, of New York, were valued at \$12,000. They were fully insured, but in what companies it was impossible to ascertain.

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THE BOSTON PRESSON THE CONFLAGRATION.

Miss Christine Nilsson Again a Loser. The buildings on Otis street were uniformly handsome and were substantially built of granite, four stories in height, with Mansard roofs. Every building was thoroughly destroyed and not a trace of the street's former grandeur remains. It is an interesting fact that the two stores on this street, Nos. 12 and 14. owned by Miss Christine Nilsson. were burned. Miss Nilsson was a heavy loser by the Chicago fire.

The Boston Post Hopeful. The Boston Post comes to us printed on a half sheet, with its usual pleasant column of "All Sorts," and editorially expressing its congratulations in the midst of the ruins of its material edifice that the destruction is no greater. Says the Post:the destruction is no greater. Says the Post:—
With the demolition of brick and granite and the instantaneous destruction of warehouses full of merchandise, there is yet remaining even to the greatest sufferers an energy that will wrest benefit from the fiery trial. Among the causes of thankfulness discoverable even in the midst of such trouble is the comparative immunity from personal suffering that has been experienced. The fire was so closely confined to the business portion of the city that, while eating up the millions of property with every advantage in its favor, it touched few dwellings and turned out few families into the streets.

Shop Girls to the Rescue.

One of the stores burned was that of W. H. Allen & Co., dealers in dry goods and trimmings, 216 Washington street. Two girls, who are employed ering the danger from the fire, gained access to the store, and, of their own accord, secured laces of the value of \$20,000 and took them safely to

ENGLAND.

The Boston Fire Report News Circulated on 'Change and Its Effect on the Money Market.

SHIPWRECK AND LOSS OF LIFE

TELEGRAMS TO THE NEW YORK HERALD.

LONDON, Nov. 11, 1872. The Stock Exchange quotations report, dated at reads as follows :- The news of the fire in causes dulness in the money market. United States five-twenty bonds, 1865's, old, 90%; 1867's, 9214; ten-forties, 87; new fives, 88. Erie Rallway shares, 40. SENATOR SUMNER'S HEALTH AND PREPARATIONS FOR

Senator Sumner has left London to visit some riends in the country before his departure for Liverpool for New York. His health is slightly in

Shipwreck in the North Channel and Loss of Many Lives.

LONDON, Nov. 11, 1872 A vessel mamed the Mauritius has been lost in the North Channel, off Port Patrick, a seaport town of Wigtown county, Scotland, and twenty-three of

It is not known exactly whether the unfortunate wreck is the ship Mauritius, which cleared from Glasgow in the latter part of October, for Demerara, or the steamship Mauritius, belonging

PREMIER GLADSTONE.

The Chief of the British Cabinet Invalided by Illness.

TELEBRAM TO THE NEW YORK HERALD.

LONDON, NOV. 11, 1872.

The Right Honorable William E. Gladstone, Premier of the British Ministry, is confined to his house by an attack of illness.

been engaged actively in public life, in places of high official trust, at intervals during the past mier has been and is a most laborious worker-se much so that it has been anticipated by his most intimate friends of late that his constitution would soon develop appearances of physical impair.

BOWLES BROTHERS' BANK.

Estimate of the Losses Sustained by the Failure.

TELEGRAM TO THE NEW YORK HERALD.

PARIS, Nov. 11, 1872. The liabilities of Messrs. Bowles Brothers, American bankers, who have suspended payment in this city, amount to \$500,000.

The losses will fall—as has been specially reported already to the HERALD-chiefly on American tourists, who are now travelling in different parts of Europe with drafts of the house in their possession for payment of expenses.

FRANCE.

Parliamentary Reopening of the Session of the Legislative Assembly-President Thiers and the Chief Political Leaders Present-Party Caucus.

TELEGRAMS TO THE NEW YORK HERALD.

PARIS. Nov. 11, 1872. The members of the French Legislative Assembly reassembled in session, after the recess proroga-tion, at Versailles to-day, at the hour of half-past two o'clock in the afternoon. The parliamentary attendance was unusually full, almost every mem

ber of the body being in his seat. ROYALISTS, RADICALS AND REPUBLICANS Their Highnesses the citizens Duke d'Auma'e and Prince de Joinville were present in the House at an early hour, as were also M. Rouher, ex-Minister of State of Napoleon; M. Gambetta and other promi-

nent politicians and party leaders. His Excellency President Thiers entered the Chamber soon after the formal official opening of the sitting.

The Chief of State was received with cheers by

the members generally. PROSPECTS OF LEGISLATIVE ORGANIZATION The Assembly will probably choose its President to-morrow. It is rumored that the Right will pro-

pose the Duke de Broglie or M. Marc Girardin for President in place of M. Grevy. REPUBLICAN CAUCUS AND NATIONAL CONSTITUTIONAL RESOLVE.

A caucus of the republican deputies of the party of the Left in the Assembly was held yesterday at Versailles. An expression of opinion was made, from which

it appears that there has been a steady growth of republicanism among the people of all the departments of France, while the prefects and magistrates have become more and more tinctured with

The Deputies resolved to wait upon President Thiers to acquaint him with the condition of affairs and to request such official action as will bring the people and their representatives in the Legislative Body into closer relationship. The republican members also resolved to oppose

by all means in their power and as strongly as do the monarchists the adoption of any constitutional reforms by the present National Assembly.

Press Approval of International Arbitration as a Means of Pacification. PARIS, Nov. 11, 1872.

The Temps (newspaper) of to-day contains an editorial warmly praising the English government for continuing recourse to arbitration as the means of settlement of international disputes.

THE WEATHER.

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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 12—1 A. M.
Synopsis for the Past Theenty-four Hold's.

barometer has continued to fall from Lake Ontario to Virginia and over the Middle and Eastern States, with southwesterly to southeasterly winds, cloudy weather and rain; in the South Atlantic and Gulf States variable southeasterly and northwesterly winds and partly cloudy weather, with occasional rain, and the former prevail; in the Northwest and thence to the Upper Lakes and Lake Erie and to the Ohio Valley southwesterly to northwesterly winds, partly cloudy weather, with light rain in the Ohio Valley and light snow in the Upper Mississippi Valley.

Valicy. Probabilities.

The barometer will rise in the Upper Mississippy Valley and thence over Michigan and to the Ohiod Valley, with cold, partly cloudy and clearing weather; in the Gulf and South Atlantic States clearing and clear weather, with light, variable winds; on the Lower Lakes and thence to West Virginia clearing weather, with northwesterly winds; in New England and the Middle States southeasterly to southwesterly winds, cloudy weather and rain.

The Weather in This City Yesterday. The following record will show the changes in the temperature for the past twenty-four hours in

the temperature for the past twenty-four hours in comparison with the corresponding day of last year, as indicated by the thermometer at Hudnut's Pharmacy, Herald Building:—

1871, 1872,

3 A. M. 46 42 3:30 P. M. 46 57 6 A. M. 45 41 6 P. M. 44 54 9 A. M. 45 41 9 P. M. 42 51 12 M. 45 51 12 P. M. 42 51 Average temperature yesterday. 47 Average temperature for corresponding date 1981 year.